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Executive Director NJDOT/Intermodal Services. The unit is comprised of the Office of Maritime Resources, Freight Services, Aeronautics, Rail Safety Oversight, and Outdoor Advertising. Prior to joining the Department in May 2000, Rick was the Assistant Commissioner for Site Remediation at the Department of Environmental Protection.

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Executive Director of the Marine Trades Association of New Jersey (MTA/NJ). The MTA/NJ is a non profit trade organization comprised of over 300 recreational marine businesses in the State of New Jersey. As Executive Director, her responsibilities include Governmental Relations, Education and Training, Public Relations, Event Planning, Fundraising, Research and Writing, and directing the day-to-day activities of the Association.

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Dredging Program Manager for the Office of Maritime Resources. He is a nationally recognized expert in contaminated sediment and dredged material management. He is currently responsible for the development of dredged material policy for the State of NJ and for implementation of the NJ portion of the Bi-State Dredging Plan. Mr. Douglas holds a Masters degree in Environmental Toxicology and a Bachelors degree in Zoology from the University of Vermont.

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Chief of the NJDEP, Office of Dredging and Sediment Technology whose responsibility is to regulate the dredging and dredged material management in tidal waters of the State of New Jersey. She has been with the Office since its inception in June 1998, and in 2002 took over management responsibilities for the Office. Suzanne has been with the Department for 15 years, half of which was with the Division of Water Quality. She graduated from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey with B.S. in Marine Science and a minor in Business Administration.

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